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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
SAINT PAUL**

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the practice of conservation is of vital importance to all Minnesotans because of our direct dependence upon the natural resources of our State, and

WHEREAS, education, looking toward the more judicious utilization of these resources, is essential to the cause of conservation, particularly among our youth, who will in the future shoulder the responsibilities for wise management of the great natural heritage that has come down to us in the Commonwealth of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, the Conservation of bird, fish, animal, land, water, mineral, forest and other natural resources is directly allied with our social and economic well being and contributes immeasurably to our recreation and opportunities for aesthetic appreciation as well, and

WHEREAS, forests play a major role in Minnesota economy, and appreciation of them must be encouraged through the establishment of the living tree as a symbol of Forest Conservation, and

WHEREAS, birds, likewise, deserve special appreciation because of their economic role in controlling insect life and their value for the pursuits of hunting, bird study and general recreation,

I, HAROLD E. STENSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby designate the week of May 4th to 10th as

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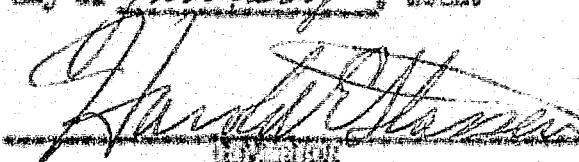
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~~and do further~~ designate Monday, May 25 as

and urge the schools, churches, civic groups and organizations of our
state to observe the week with a patriotic community and the day by
planting trees and encouraging bird opportunities.

IN WITNESS WHEREBY,

I have hereunto set my hand and
caused the Great Seal of the State
of Minnesota to be affixed at the
State Capital in St. Paul on 29
day of January, 2002.


Harold Hamm
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Mike Johnson

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